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Foreign Patent Documents			
Exam. Initials	Document No.	Date	Country
W	197 31 453 C2	07/22/99	Germany

The listed patents pertain in a general way to the subject matter of the application, but are not necessarily considered to be analogous prior art.

Respectfully submitted,

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